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Dr. David Gorsich Named TARDEC's Chief Scientist

DETROIT ARSENAL, WARREN, MI — Dr. David Gorsich was named the U.S. Army Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center's (TARDEC's) Chief Scientist on Dec. 9, 2008. Gorsich is currently serving as TARDEC's Associate Director of Concepts, Analysis and System Simulation & Integration and will begin his new position in January.

"As TARDEC's chief scientist, David will serve as my technical consultant and assist me in shaping a viable and innovative long-term research program," stated TARDEC Director Dr. Grace M. Bochenek. "He joins a small, unique group of scientific experts within the Department of Defense's Senior Executive Service."

Gorsich earned his doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has worked as an Army research scientist for more than 15 years and has 20 years' engineering and scientific experience in modeling and simulation, high-performance computing, robotics, vehicle intelligence and survivability.

In addition, he completed developmental assignments as Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition in Washington, DC, and as TARDEC's Acting Director of Plans and Programs. He is affiliated with the Automotive Research Center, a consortium of eight universities, is co-President of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics' Great Lakes Section and recently was selected as a Society of Automotive Engineers Fellow.

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Dr. David Gorsich was selected as TARDEC's Chief Scientist on Dec. 9, 2008, and will begin his new position in January. A project under development in the laboratory he currently oversees is the crew station/turret motion-based simulator. The simulator is shown testing a Future Combat Systems prototype turret. (U.S. Army TARDEC photo by Bill Dowell.)



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